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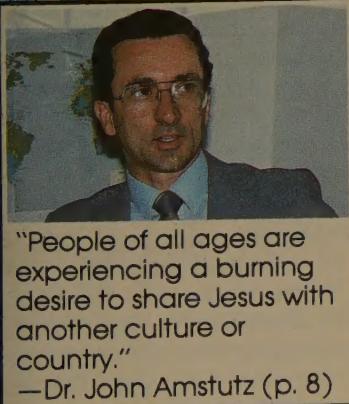
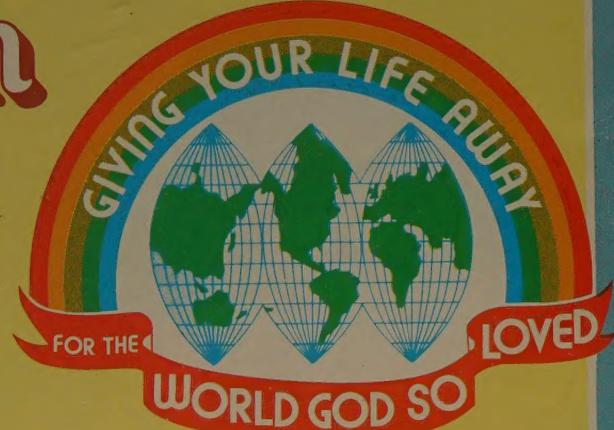


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—Rev. Eloise Clarno (p. 6)

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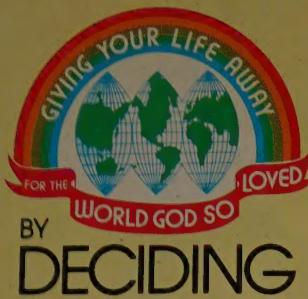
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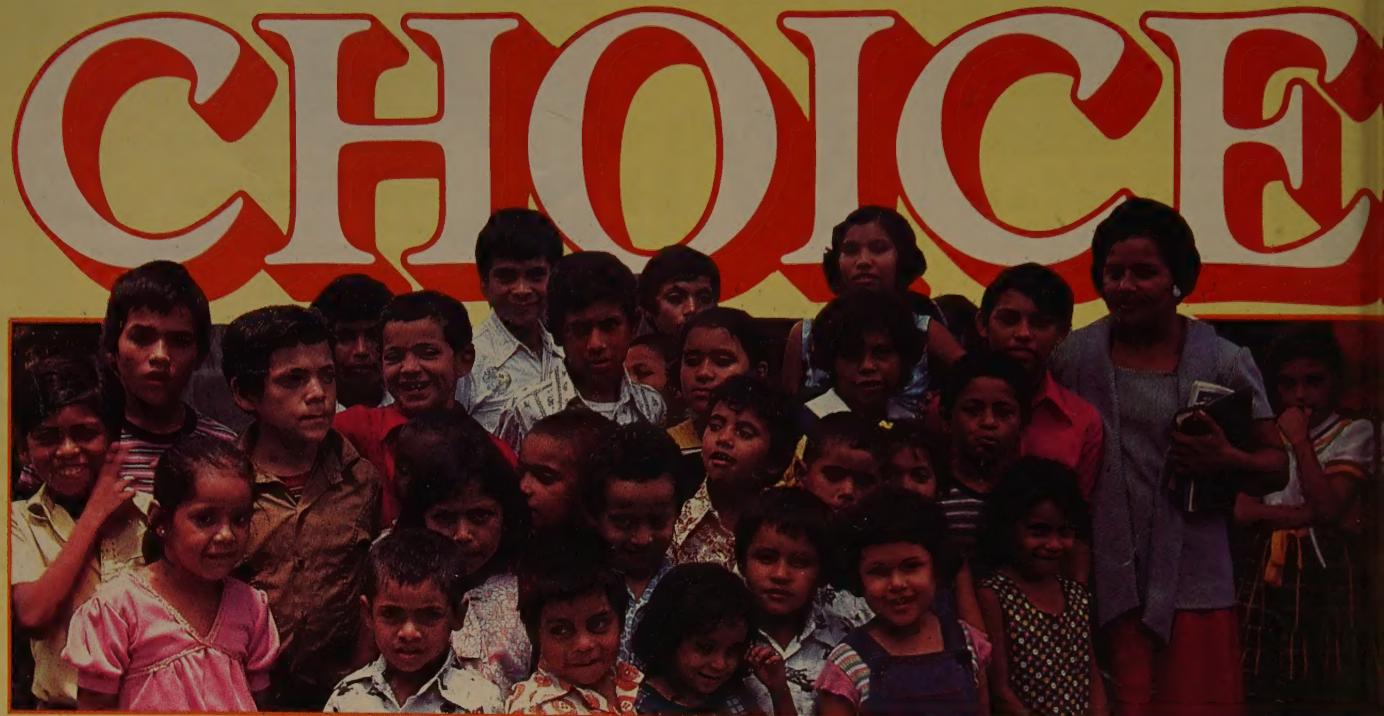
—Dr. Paul Risser (p. 10)



THE UNRESCINDED MISSIONS
MANDATE STILL REQUIRES
FROM YOU AND ME

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By Roy Hicks, Jr.



When I was a little boy, I attended a missionary rally with my dad. We traveled from Akron, Ohio, to Canton. I don't remember who spoke. I do remember that God touched my little eight-year-old heart with a burden for missions. During the altar call, I asked my dad if he would let me give the money I had been saving for a new bike. He agreed. I

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remember the good feeling as I placed the enormous sum of \$28 into the plate.

As I sat there in the pew, I distinctly remember the speaker telling us of the responsibility we have to spread the gospel. Jesus initially spoke those stirring words just before ascending to the Father: "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be witnesses to Me...to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8, NKJV). And, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15, NKJV).

These words would carry great weight, even in a little boy's heart—just because He said them. But I have since learned that they are all the more powerful because of when He said them!

The Baton Has Been Handed Off—To Us

According to Matthew, Mark and Luke's account of the ascension in the book of Acts, the last discussion Jesus has with His disciples concerns their responsibility to continue what He has begun.

There is no question that the renewal of recent years has brought to the Church many needed emphases. We've all grown to be a little more like Him because of the rich teachings on forgiveness, the power of the believer, faith, relationship, living in love, the availability of the gifts of the Spirit to every believer, the believer's priesthood, and the insights into the person of Christ that have made Him more real in our everyday living.

But all these teachings may be compared to the three years Jesus spent with His disciples. He was preparing them, equipping them for assignment. When the time of preparation was finished, He commissioned them to go and put into operation what they had learned.

It is true that the Church moves in cycles. We have just come through, or are now in, the last stages of a glorious period of discipleship. We have been prepared and equipped for assignment. Now, it is time to put into operation all that the Lord has been pouring into our lives.

To fail to go, to fail to preach, to fail to respond to the commission is to

ct the renewal. If I do not respond, simply saying I have not truly been in Him.

In a recent dialogue with pastors, we discussed the ministerial responsibilities of a local church. We came up with "worship," "teaching" and "relationship." Notice that we omitted "evangelism." Why? One of the men remarked, "If the result of worship, teaching and relationship is not evangelism, then you have not participated in true worship, true teaching or true relationship!"

Thank You For the Missionary Rally

Reflecting back on my bike savings of \$28, I'm grateful for several things. First, I'm grateful for that missionary rally in Canton, Ohio. I might not have begun a life pattern of giving as soon as I did, if at all. A "missionary rally" sounds a little archaic in today's church vocabulary. Because our movement emphasized church planting, though rightly so, we may have overlooked an emphasis God can use to shape lives, at least little eight-year-old lives.

Thank You For the "Call"

Second, I'm grateful for someone, I don't remember who, who spoke about the Great Commission, and gave an ear call a little boy could respond to. I sometimes wonder if that is out of date by reason of maturity. Is it possible to make an appeal for saints to answer "the call"? Someone that night was very specific. I remember, "If you can't give, if you can't give, you can pray." Pointed. At least I heard. In my day when young preachers try hard to win the loyalties of beginning congregations, it may be too pointed.

Thank You For Encouragement

Third, I'm grateful for a dad who made sure I at least thought I knew what I was doing, and then encouraged me. He did not promise me I would get the bike anyway. I distinctly remember that! (Though a bike did mysteriously appear a few months later on the back porch.) He did promise me that the money would be used to lead other boys and girls to the Lord Jesus. That is enough at the time. As a father, I'm hoping for the same opportunity with my little one.

But I'm no longer eight years old. And I'm not saving for bikes. I wish it were that simple. For me, like most, life has become a little more complicated.

It's not that I won't go. I have gone, and will again. It's not that I won't give. I do. And for me, it's a bundle. And I do still care enough to pray, passionately.

But at forty years old, I ask questions. Hard questions. Questions of the Lord. And questions of those representing the missionary ventures asking for my money. It's not that I'm disillusioned, though now I understand the missionary to South America is no more to be praised than the young couple who left everything to pastor in Pullman, Washington. And the missionary program has as many imperfections as the next church program.

No, it's not disillusionment. It's more like being a good steward. All I have is what I have. It only gets used once. I want it to be right. Here are my tough questions, and some answers I hope will motivate you to be as excited as I am, whatever your age!

1. Is the Lord saying, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel"? Yes. He has not rescinded the mandate given to the Church at its beginning. This commission will only be finished when He returns.

2. Is the assignment specific, or general? I mean, did He say it to Peter, and some special few, or does the commission include me, and every believer? The assignment is general. The entire church is included.

3. How should I respond? Do exactly what He asks you to do. And make no mistake, He asks people to go, to give, and to pray. Obedience to the Great Commission will find you experiencing all, or a combination of these responses.

4. Is my church a part of a worldwide missionary enterprise? Definitely! And one that you can be proud of. Our work has spread to 48 countries on 6 major continents; and, in the last two years, work has begun within 38 Hidden People groups. We can rejoice!

If you are eight years old and saving for a bike, or my age and concerned about the future of your family, be touched with the reality of the Commission, the urgency of the hour, and the confidence that your participation makes a difference.

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"One teaching which has always haunted me is found in Matthew 25 when Christ said we need to minister to people who are hungry, thirsty, strangers, naked, sick or in prison.

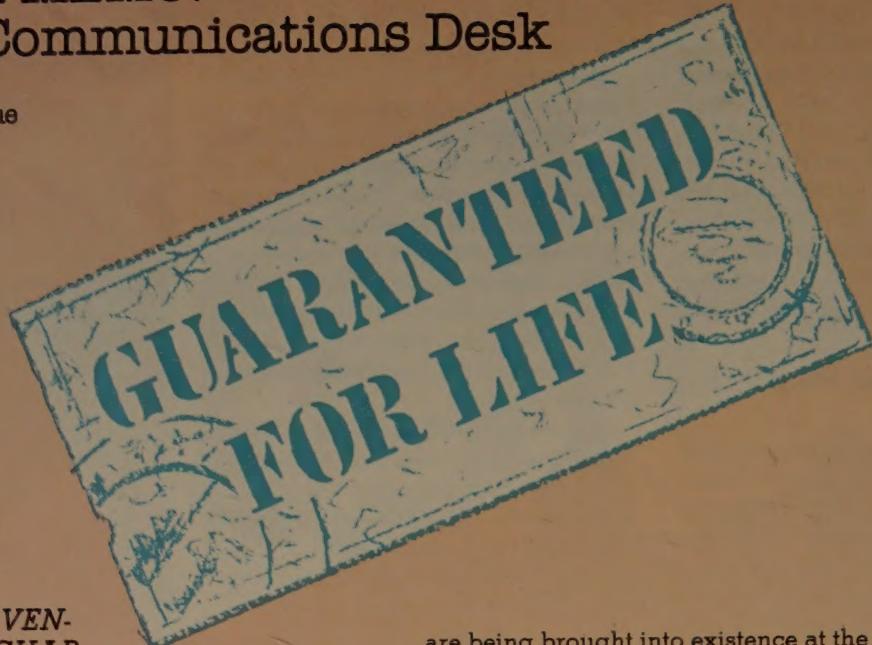
"In our typical suburban Southern California church, I can see the blessing God has bestowed upon our people. So, I am constantly reminding them that we have an awesome responsibility to intercessory prayer and systematic, committed giving to our Foursquare Missions."



—Rev. James Ritch, pastor, La Puente Foursquare Church, California

A SPECIAL MEMO: From the Communications Desk

By Phil Starr
Special Missions Issue
Coordinator



"JOIN FRONTIER VENTURE—HIGH PAY GUARANTEED!" This type of call or newspaper ad has attracted many a daring man and woman into a high-risk job.

"JOIN FRONTIER MISSION VENTURE—SACRIFICIAL INVOLVEMENT GUARANTEED!"

"JOIN FRONTIER MISSION VENTURE—SACRIFICIAL INVOLVEMENT GUARANTEED!" The call of Jesus Christ to ministry, with no pay guarantee or retirement, has also attracted vast numbers of men and women for generations: the William Careys, Hudson Taylors, David Livingstones, Robert Semples, Arthur Edwards, Jim Elliots, Marie Johnsons, etc.

THIS YEAR'S FOURSQUARE MISSIONS

THRUST calls to our 167,149 North American Church constituents to join the decade of the '80s challenge. It presents you and me with a summons to missions' three proverbial doorways, open to us for commitment and involvement. Two can be carried out in the comforts of your own hometown, while the third would be radically different. Yet, all three can be equally demanding...sacrificially.

But before we define these three doorways, let's get a handle on the current world missions perspective. First, the Church is presently involved with penetrating what is being called "the last frontiers." These "last frontiers" consist of 2.4 billion people globally, or 16,750 people groups, who have not heard of Jesus Christ and remain untouched by any Christian witness.

At this time, the Church of Jesus Christ in general is experiencing astronomical growth. This current intense thrust, genuinely born of the Spirit of God, began in the '70s and is accelerating in intensity in the '80s. When talking about penetrating the last frontiers, it is in the light of the imminent return of Jesus Christ and those yet to be reached. It is pertinent for us to know that these untouched peoples are found primarily in the Muslim world, the Buddhist world, the Hindu world, the Tribal world and the Secular Religionist world, as well as the world around you.

Missiologists amazed with the current momentum of growth tell us one new church is born every minute somewhere around the world, thus the penetration goes deeper and more intense. (Think of the multiplied numbers turning to Christ which, in turn, bring those churches into existence.) Out of this, new organizations

are being brought into existence at the rate of nearly one per day. (Did you think you'd ever see this day?)

TO SAY, "IT'S EXCITING!" is an understatement, as if excitement made it happen. This aggressive growth and rapid advancement is happening only because of those sacrificially-involved, spirit-ignited people, giving all their heart, soul, mind and strength. These are people from different walks of life making varied contributions who have purposefully, categorically involved themselves through sacrificial financial giving right in their own hometown. Or they donate earnest intercessory prayer time right where they are. All these come together with those actually going overseas, as missionaries and witnesses for Jesus Christ.

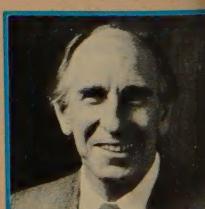
The Foursquare Missions strategy, "Advancing Through the '80s!" is calling for thousands of new recruits to join and enter wholeheartedly into 2 or 3 of the following doorways: Praying! Giving! Going! With thousands more of us entering increasingly, the Great Commission task could very possibly be accomplished by this generation.

THANK GOD that there are already thousands of those kind of people in our Foursquare churches in North America and around the world in nearly all the approximately 48 Foursquare countries currently. And, you may be one of those people, responsible in giving, praying or serving now overseas. But thousands and thousands more are needed.

Are you asking, "How can I get involved?" or "How can I become more involved?" Take note of the section beginning on the opposite page explaining "How you can give your life away." You will find "giving your life away" will involve adjusting your life-style time-wise for prayer (see Eloise Clarno's article page 6); money-wise (see Paul Risser's article page 10); and availability-wise (see John Amstutz' article page 8).

Then get set to look at the "rest of the iceberg" with Gary Evans (page 12), a "peanut" with John Darnall (page 13), and a young person's world view with Tim Peterson (page 14). It's your Foursquare Missions Venture... good enough for the rest of your life.

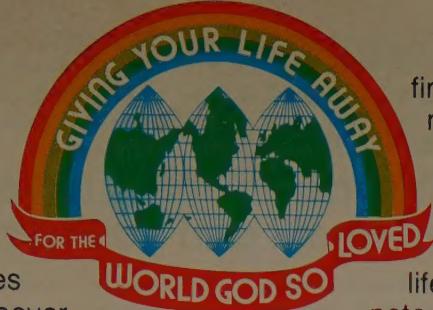
Rev. Starr, Communications Coordinator of Foursquare Missions International, formerly served as a missionary to the Philippines and Papua New Guinea.



Jesus Christ, who sacrificially gave His life for all mankind, taught His disciples saying, "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life (give it) for my sake, the same shall save it" (Luke 9:24, KJV).

The following pages will show some very practical ways you can begin giving your life way...for Christ's sake...to reach lost, hurting, hungry, spiritually needy humanity.

Mark Pendergrass, eager to



find life's full meaning, wrote a song asking, "Lord, show me what it means to give my life away." Take note of the words of his song. Then turn the page to find how you can do the same.

"It is time for the Church to sow with God, our lives and fortunes, intercessions and hearts. The harvest will not be delayed..."

—Rev. Scott Bauer, pastor, Merced Foursquare Church, California

Lord Show Me What it Means

as recorded by Candle on
"To the Chief Musician, Chapter II"

Words and Music by
MARK PENDERGRASS

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2. Lord, give me grace in side to have a hum ble heart;

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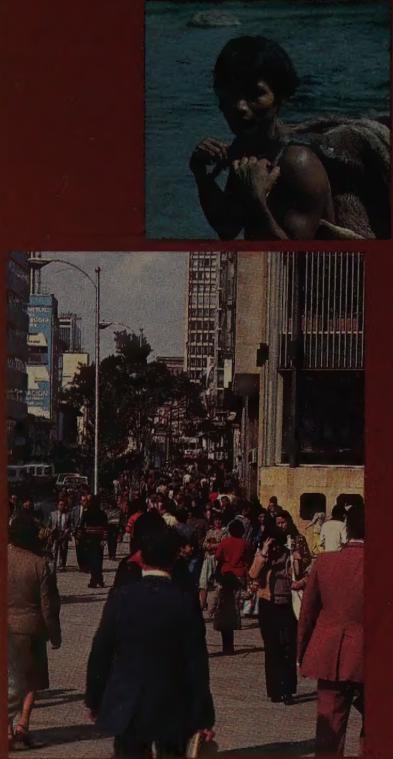
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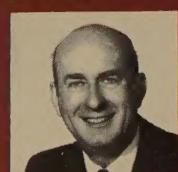
what it in - means to love you more each day.

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"Missions is God's mandate...the whole Church taking the whole gospel to the whole world (Mark 16:15).

"The spiritually unborn of the world can never be reached and discipled by missionaries alone, but by the life-sharing participation of every believer by being stretched to new dimensions in praying, giving and going."



—Dr. William West, pastor, Burbank Foursquare Church, California



"Lord, what do you want me to do?"
"Just pray."
"There must be something I can do."
"Just pray. If you will not do anything, just pray, I will again show you what I can do when my people pray."



When All We Can Do Is Pray

By Eloise Clarno

“Lord, what do you want me to do?" "Just pray." "There must be something I can do." "Just pray. If you will not do anything, just pray, I will again show you what I can do when my people pray."

The Lord said that to me when, as a missionary, I had gone by request of the national leadership in the Philippines to a specific city to assist in the Bible college ministry. There was a need; the enemy had brought a spirit of division, and the challenge was very great for the believers there. I wanted to "do" something; God said, "Pray."

In a matter of weeks, God had driven out the bondage, restored ministries and healed people. He did it right—and all I did was just pray.

The Bamboo Curtain fell over China

some 30 years ago and the missionaries were driven out. No one could enter to do anything; "all we could do was pray." The result: today believers there number perhaps as many as 50 million compared to the approximate 2 million at the time of the purge. All we could do was pray.

This Is Team Work!

God plans for man to team with Him in His work. When we pray for missionaries, we are going with them as members of the team of God to invade the strongholds of the enemy. We are teamed together as the army of God, a force which is greater than any military aid or any weapons which man can conceive.

The enemy has tried to foist the attitude upon the Church that it is "hard to pray"; that, "I can't seem to find the time to

pray"; and that being busy in DOING is at least as good as interceding for the world. But the Word outlines God's plan very clearly: "Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance" (Ps. 2:8, NIV); Jesus set the example when He went apart to pray (Mk. 6:46). And the history of the Church in Acts tells us that when those believers chose men, prayed for them, and sent them out, then the Word of God increased, the disciples in Jerusalem (at home) multiplied greatly, and great wonders and miracles were done among the people (Acts 6:7). God's plan exhibits prayer as a first step.

"How do I pray for missionaries?"

• Continually. There is not a time when our missionaries do not need our

ers. They face stress in lands which have a history of evil, where strong powers prevail. The enemy does not give up easily. He can be and is defeated when we pray.

Specifically by name. To ask God to "prayer our missionaries" is good; to name them specifically before Him is better. List their names; tape the list on the dashboard, the mirror; keep their pictures before you as you pray. Learn to know them in prayer.

As a missionary, I could picture my husband, Leah, praying for me every day. My picture was prominently displayed over the sink; she had teamed up with me in prayer and I knew I could count on her to share her share of the load.

Specifically for needs. The "spirit oflessness" which prevails over our world today is a sign which precedes the return of the Lord. With this spirit comes much evil and rebellion which is manifested in riots, kidnappings, uprisings and overall destructive spirit. Our missionaries and their families often live in these difficult circumstances. We can pray specifically for their protection; that fear will not be allowed to grip them, that peace will prevail in their lives.

Pray for God's wisdom. It is always appropriate to pray for God's wisdom, authority and power to provide spiritual insights as missionaries minister. We pray for their family life—the same struggles families here at home face are challenges for missionary families, too, but in a foreign culture they can seem magnified. Pray they will not become "weary in well-doing."

Pray the Word. Moses reminded God of His promises in Exodus 32 when he interceded for Israel. We can do that. Select several promises which speak to specific needs of the missionaries—Psalm 91 for protection, Exodus 23:25 for health, Proverbs 1:5 for wisdom—and remind God of His promise in behalf of the missionary whom you are praying.

As a church denomination, God has given us a plan, "Advancing through the Decade" to guide us through this decade. This plan outlines five specific goals, each of which is compatible with the Word and God's promise to His people. We can pray the Word for each of these goals:

1. Pray to reach at least 100 Hidden people groups. Again, Psalm 2:8 says, "Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession" (KJV). When we pray we do just that... "ask for the heathen."

2. Pray to increase North American personnel overseas to 185. Matthew 3:8 tells us to "ask the Lord of the harvest...to send out workers" (NIV). We don't know who the people are that God may speak to and send, but we can pray He will do that. We can pray that He will give understanding and wisdom to those

in Foursquare Missions International who interview and select these persons.

3. Pray to enlarge our work into 55 nations. John 4:35 says the harvest is already ripe, but the laborers are few. We know Jesus died for the whole world (John 3:16), but they just don't know it yet. We can pray for the extension of His Kingdom around the world.

4. Pray to encourage the multiplication of believers. Acts 4:4 says as they heard the Word preached, many believed. Acts 2 tells us that when they heard the Word, they believed and were baptized, and the Lord added to the Church. We can pray for the Word to be preached with boldness so repentance will follow.

5. Pray to multiply our giving. Paul's instruction in II Cor. 9:7 is that we are to give cheerfully. He tells us that the Corinthian Church gave out of their poverty (II Cor. 8:2) to supply the needs of others. The North American Church can have this testimony too, and we can pray for that.

Finally, pray in the Spirit. There are times when we sense a burden of prayer, but we do not know how to pray. Romans 8:26 reminds us that the Spirit intercedes for us. It is no coincidence when you are reminded of a missionary suddenly. Pray in your spiritual language when God reminds you. Intercede; press in for them.

Golden Bowls of Incense

Missionaries need to know fellow Christians at home care about them and are holding up their part of this team ministry in prayer. When God has caused you to intercede in behalf of a specific missionary, it is always an encouragement to let that missionary know. Perhaps he needed help at that time; it may be that you were the one who pressed through to the throne of God on his behalf in a very difficult and testing time.

Rev. 5:8 tells us that the prayers of the saints are stored up like a golden bowl full of incense. The value of these prayers may escape us at times, but God has them stored to be presented on the altar before His throne.

By "just praying," God gives us opportunity to enter into a worldwide ministry.

"Pray with unceasing prayer and entreaty on every fitting occasion in the Spirit, and be always on the alert to seize opportunities for doing so, with unremitting persistence and entreaty" (Eph. 6:18, Weymouth).

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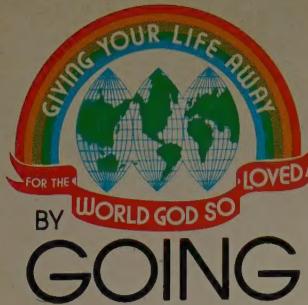
"My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations" (Mark 11:17, AMP). As all peoples gather in the house of prayer to pray for all peoples, we create an eternal circle that will not be broken!"

—Mr. and Mrs. Bill Beasley, Missions Coordinators, Omaha Foursquare Church, Nebraska

"God loves the world, so it is altogether normal that those who are 'partakers of the divine nature' share their Father's world view. Nothing hinders world evangelism more than our own spiritual immaturity. As we grow into His likeness, the world appears to us as it did to Him—a field 'white unto harvest'."



—Dr. Harold Helms, Vice President, International Church of the Foursquare Gospel, pastor of headquarters church Angelus Temple,



Three Paths to Mission Which One for You?

By John

It's a miracle! The fear of going abroad is dissipating. Young-, middle-, and older-aged folks, who have a burning desire to share Jesus with people of another culture or country, are discovering there is more than one way to go.

Start in Your Hometown

Acts 1:8 says, "When the Holy Spirit comes on you...you will be my (Jesus') witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth" (NIV).

The progression of the witness begins in areas that are both geographically and culturally near. Jesus directed His disciples to be witnesses first in Jerusalem—to fellow Jews in their own "hometown." Then they were to extend that witness to Jews living further away, in Judea. Their witness was still with culturally near people although they were geographically beyond Jerusalem.

	Brief-Term (1 year or less)	Short-Term (1 to 3 years)	Long-Term (3 years and up)
A) General Call (Vocation used to share gospel)	Potential tentmaker	Pre-career tentmaker	Career tentmaker
B) Specific Call (Traditional missionary)	Potential career	Apprenticeship	Vocational

Witnessing to your own people is the place to start. Learning to give your life away to your Jerusalem...your relatives, acquaintances and neighbors, then to your Judea, is one of the finest ways to prepare for giving your life away to people culturally and geographically distant. The graph displayed shows what paths you may choose to take the gospel to "Samaria and the ends of the earth."

As believers in Jesus, we all have a "general call" to minister (I Peter 2:9) beginning in "Jerusalem" and "Judea." Some desire to extend that witness to other cul-

tures and countries (category A). Like the tentmakers Aquila and Priscilla (Acts 18:1-3), they travel using their vocation as a means of sharing the gospel. They are what has been termed "lay ministers," "non-professional missionaries" or "tentmakers."

To others the Lord has given a "specific call" to ministry (category B). They have been called to be leaders and equippers, often taking them beyond Jerusalem and Judea. Such people have been called "full-time ministers" or "career missionaries."

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Discover your potential.

The first and quickest path is a brief term of service, i.e., going to another culture or country for a weekend, vacation or summer. One weekend, LIFE Bible College students visited door to door, and held an open-air rally in a largely Hispanic and Oriental area (geographically near, culturally distant). Also, many reachable students and business people are temporarily living in the United States from

other countries. Special organizations exist to help facilitate contacts between believers in the U.S. and international people overseas.* Even more geographically distant, LIFE Bible College students and church members in the southwestern part of the U.S. spend weekends in Mexico. Others visit Indian reservations.

Another brief-term opportunity includes annual summer TASTE teams which travel for overseas ministry 2-3 weeks on Foursquare fields.* Also, thousands of Foursquare young people will converge on Los Angeles during the 1984 Summer Olympics for a once-in-a-lifetime oppor-

tunity to have a cross-cultural encounter. See Tim Peterson's article, page 14.

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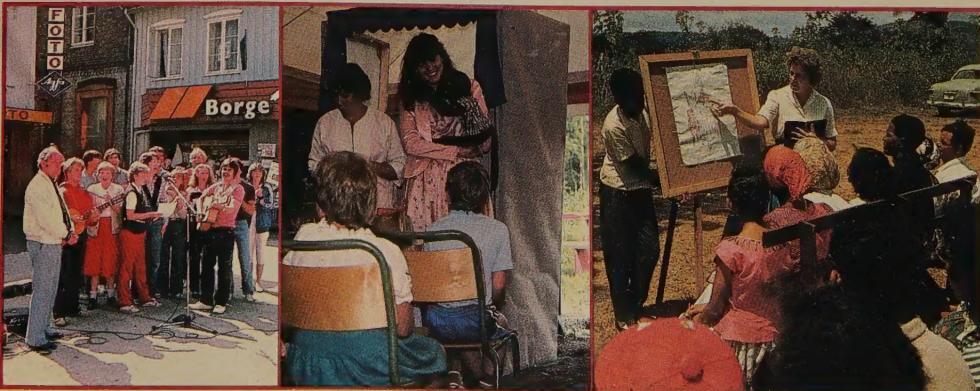
Use present skills for new challenges.

A second path is a short-term service. Using your vocational skills as a tentmaker missionary (category A), or ministering as one with a specific call (category B), can lead one from being a "potential missionary" to a "pre-career missionary."

Currently, a growing number of people are serving Jesus through their vocational skills as tentmakers overseas. Foursquare people trained in teaching English to speakers of other languages are using their skill to share the love of Jesus in such countries as Colombia, China, Israel and Morocco. Other believers are at work as tentmakers in the oil fields of Saudi Arabia.

Many ministries specialize in placing "tentmakers" with vocational skills in secular jobs.* Or perhaps you are interested in using your abilities with a Christian organization.* Short-term service is a particularly helpful path for those not fully sure about God's call to career missions. It can help affirm and confirm one's call and gifts.

From left: A team from the Van Nuys, CA, Foursquare Church ministers in Norway; A Van Nuys church member helps missionary Inger Bretz in Norway; Teaching nationals in Nigeria, Africa.



How To Take Your First Step

Edgar Coombs

After reading of the exciting possibilities how to give your life away by "going," you may wonder what the qualifications and how you can become personally involved. The following guidelines will give you direction concerning serving overseas through Foursquare Missions International.

1. BRIEF-TERM MISSIONARIES (TASTE AMS). Although the 1984 teams have been commissioned, you can plan to come part of the 1985 teams. The applicant must have completed his junior year in high school, have proper recommendations from his pastor and a teacher employer, and be able to pay his expenses. Applications may be obtained by writing the Missions Department.

2. SHORT-TERM MISSIONARIES. Qualifications: Must be over 18 years of age; high school diploma; spiritual gifts and educational talents as requested by the National Church overseas; local church experience, i.e. in Sunday school, with youth, or personal evangelism; recommendation from local pastor and District supervisor; a solid commitment of financial support from the local congregation; another language is helpful.

Each prospective candidate should work closely with his/her local pastor. He then will make the initial contact with Foursquare Missions International, and an application form will be sent.



3. FULL-TERM MISSIONARIES. Qualifications: 2 years pastoral experience; good recommendations from fellow ministers and District Supervisor; experience in cross-cultural ministries; Bible college graduation or equivalent preferred; language ability enhances possibilities; give proof of God's call to this type of ministry. Applications may be obtained by writing the Missions Department.

We will offer you guidance in your calling as a Foursquare respondent, and suggest where you may find open doors of ministry. Write directly to Foursquare Missions International, 1100 Glendale Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90026.

Rev. Coombs serves as Special Assistant to the Director of Missions International. He formerly served as a missionary to Venezuela and Panama.

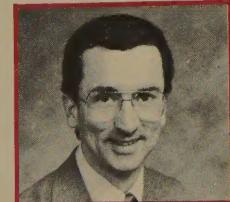


Missionary John Firth in Bogota, Colombia



More and more people are giving their lives away, going to other cultures and countries for brief, short-, and long-term service. The Lord is renewing a world vision in these last days so that "this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all nations, and THEN THE END WILL COME!" (Matt. 24:14, NKJV).

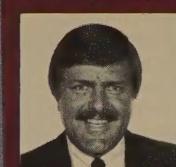
*For further information read Edgar Coombs' article, same page.



Dr. Amstutz, professor at LIFE Bible College at Los Angeles, has co-oversight of the cross-cultural ministries program at the college. He formerly served as a missionary to Jamaica.



"During the last 18 months, the Lord has given specific directives regarding missions. In response, we have initiated corporate prayer time for the nation and sent the Scott Lemmon family as short-term missionaries to Honduras."



—Rev. John Watson, pastor, San Diego Foursquare Church, California

3 LONG Career investment for eternal dividends.

Finally, you may go as a long-term career missionary. You may feel the Lord is calling you to invest your life in a career overseas as either a tentmaker (category A) or vocational missionary (category B). Career/long-term service is essential in establishing lasting, viable, indigenous groups of believers among the unreached peoples of the world.

This means additional preparation is needed in language learning, undergraduate and possible graduate level training. Category A tentmaker missionaries will be required in "closed countries" (Muslim and Communist countries) where category B type missionaries are not permitted. Foursquare envisions an 85% increase by 1990 in career missionaries alone. The long-term career path will be taken by an increasing number of people—perhaps you.

If you are open and sensing a desire to invest your life in long-term service, talk with your pastor and Foursquare Missions International. Contact LIFE Bible College concerning their cross-cultural missions program.



GIVING

A Little Change Makes a Big Difference

By Paul Risser

Who could challenge the fact that the basic directive from the Lord to His Church has always been, and will continue to be, to find people who are spiritually lost? With the news media confronting us with masses of hungry, needy people around the world, the reality of their eternal needs are often completely obstructed. Both physical and spiritual needs must be met.

WE MUST FACE THE TRUTH

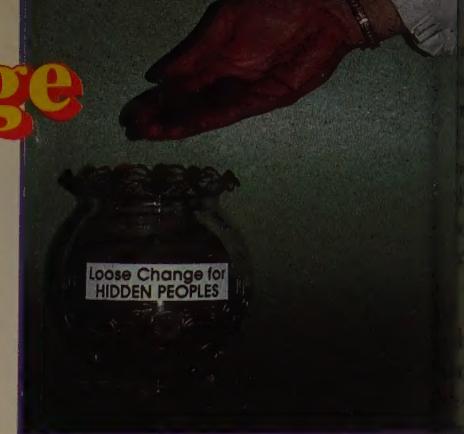
At the same time, most of us are embarrassed for the well-meaning person who stands in a public place carrying signs and waving his Bible as he yells at the crowd that they are all on their "way to hell." Though we consider this ineffective evangelism, we must face the truth of the message: Unless people have received salvation through

Jesus Christ they are lost and face eternal damnation. Thus, we must not move away from the truth stated by Jesus. His words in Luke 19:10 need no clarification: "For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost" (KJV).

A CLEAR-CUT MANDATE

In Acts 1:8, Jesus gives an unmistakable directive and scope of responsibility to every Christian and every church that carries His name. No one would challenge that. Inherent with receiving the gospel is the duty to share it. And when Jesus insisted that our witness would extend to the "uttermost parts of the earth," He challenged our tendency to, at best, be local in our witness and to ignore the uttermost parts.

Dr. Peter Wagner in his new book *On the Crest of the Wave* makes a strong



case that once a person opts to become a Christian, thereafter no option exists as to whether or not he will become involved in world missions. Missions is a clear-cut mandate.

A NEW SURGE AND PRICE TAG

As a denomination we have never wavered in that commitment. Sharing the gospel with the world is one of our highest priorities. And recently, there has been a new surge and restatement of our purpose, with goals and strategy that would have heretofore staggered us.

The price tag attached to that vision reads no less than \$10 million a year by 1990. That means there must be an increase of 15% per annum over 1981.

Effective Faith Giving

How to Give

By Dick Schmidt

GIVE REGULARLY—It is often difficult to write a \$100 check for any purpose. Regular givers, however, find that they can give \$10 to \$20 or more each week to Foursquare Missions without straining their finances.

GIVE NOW—"Today is the day of salvation." Foursquare missionaries are reaching out as far as today's support allows with the Good News that Jesus saves! Your current gifts to Foursquare Missions enable this ministry to grow and produce much fruit.

GIVE LATER—Make provision for Foursquare Missions in your will after you make adequate provision for your family. The only way you can be certain that your estate is left to the people and causes of your choice is to have a legally acceptable will. Contact Rev. Charles Perry, Foursquare Stewardship and Estate Planning, 1100 Glendale Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90026.

GIVE SPECIFICALLY—Do you have a vision to see that a specific ministry project is undertaken? Foursquare Missions may be the means of fulfilling that vision.

GIVE GENERALLY—Your general gifts and offerings make it possible for over 100 Foursquare missionaries and their children

to minister without concern for their salary, housing and transportation.

GIVE WISELY AND TIMELY—Tax deductions for charitable contributions were designed by Congress to help those who support worthy causes such as Foursquare Missions. Ask your tax advisor how and when you can benefit the most from changing tax rates and limits on deductions.

What to Give

GIVE YOUR LOOSE CHANGE—Each night set your loose change aside in a jar. At the end of each month, give your collection of coins to Foursquare Missions. You will be amazed at how painlessly you can give so much!

GIVE SALABLE ITEMS—Jewelry, furniture, used cars—many items around your home will bring a pretty penny for Foursquare Missions if you sell them and give the money to Foursquare Missions.

GIVE LIFE INSURANCE—The International Church of the Foursquare Gospel (for Foursquare Missions) can be named as a beneficiary in your life insurance policy. Also, an irrevocable transfer of a life insurance policy to Foursquare Missions will give

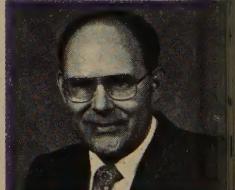
you an immediate tax deduction equal to the present value of the policy. Each future premium is also deductible.

GIVE HALF OF YOUR NEXT RAISE—Before you get locked into spending your next raise in salary, give half of it (or some other percentage) to Foursquare Missions. Some people have done this year after year and are now giving 20% or more of their income to Foursquare Missions without missing a cent.

GIVE YOUR BIRTHDAY OR CHRISTMAS GIFT—Are you weary with gifts you really don't need or want? One man told his wife, "All I want for Christmas is a gift to Foursquare Missions!" It was a very special time when he found that his gift helped their church meet its missions offering goal for the year.

GIVE APPRECIATED STOCK OR REAL ESTATE—You can properly avoid federal income taxes by contributing certain appreciated stock or real estate to your church for Foursquare Missions. The law often allows you to claim a charitable contribution for the full fair market value of such items without reporting any gain for tax purposes.

Mr. Schmidt, former member of the International Board of Directors, is Financial Administrator of Foursquare Missions International.



\$2.8 million. That bold amount send enough missionaries to our needed quota of 185 by 1990, reach 100 Hidden People groups, 18 new countries, and facilitate ministry of evangelism...to see our members and adherents increase 5 million by 1990.

The cost of equipping and sending needed missionary personnel is unmistakeably the responsibility of every Christian, with each of us becoming a part, whether in large sums or small. For to whom much is given, much is expected (cf. Lk. 12:48), and the widow's mite becomes a prime example of giving (cf. Lk. 21:2).

My father was a successful Idaho potato farmer before going into the ministry. He recalled how during a given week he dealt in thousands of dollars in his business, but when he came to church they would have a "penny march" for missions. He said he found himself giving pennies when he could have given hundreds of dollars.

Let me set the record straight: responsible, systematic giving after tithing is the step of obedience that every believer should take, giving to missions weekly in monthly amounts of \$10, \$20, \$30, \$50, \$200, etc. However, I want to introduce some simple variables that will motivate you and show our organization's potential in giving.

WHAT IF...

Let's talk about what 167,149 people in North American Church members (1147) could do financially. What is our people resource potential?

\$1 given per week (15¢ per day) by each person attending our North

Loose Change for HIDDEN PEOPLES

Imagine what the loose change of 167,149 people in 1147 North American Foursquare churches would do to reach Hidden Peoples! 167,149 concerned people giving 27¢ a day would equal \$16,472,533.95 in one year alone!

Each night, drop your loose change in a jar and dedicate it to the reaching of at least 100 Hidden People groups by 1990. At that moment, pray for a missionary, a Hidden People group, or a nation.

Give! Pray! Go!
A viable church among every people group on earth by the year 2000!"

American churches (167,149) for 52 weeks equals \$8,691,748 (or each church could commit an equal amount per member each week for missions).

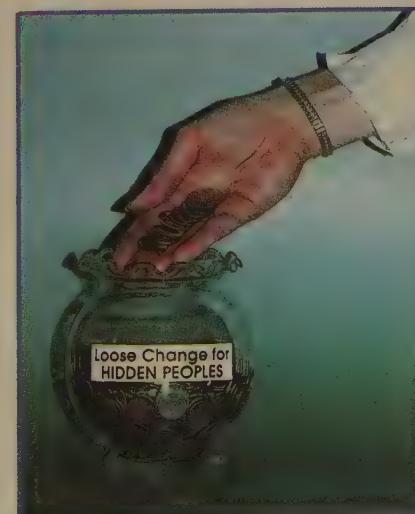
2. 25% of our constituency (41,787 giving \$5 (a small sum in today's economy) per week for 52 weeks equals \$10,864,620.

3. "Loose Change" Drive. If 20% (33,429) of our constituency in North America would, at the day's end, gather their remaining loose change (national average of 27¢ daily) it would produce \$3,294,428 in just one year. (Look on these pages for further loose change details.)

Let me share with you an impression that impells me to fulfill my role in the Great Commission. I occasionally envision members of the congregation I pastor standing before the Judgment Seat of Christ receiving a "well done" commendation from the Lord for finding "lost" people. The "found" will be coming to us expressing their gratitude that we sent missionaries, that we cared enough to send the gospel so they could have eternal life. Then, I can see in my mind's eye, "my people" coming to me and saying, "Thank you, pastor, for encouraging us to give to missions. That was one of the most important things you urged us to do."

I shudder to think what it would be like to have an empty-handed parishioner accusing me of not having urged upon him his responsibility to the world.

Dr. Risser, member of the International Board of Directors, pastors the Florence Avenue Foursquare Church in Santa Fe Springs, California.



"We understand that Foursquare Missions enables our missionaries to be sustained on the field. This literally allows the scripture to be fulfilled which says, 'When I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge.' It happens when we give."



—Rev. Maxine Trimble, pastor, Hollywood Foursquare Church, California



By Gary Evans

If there is any image that keeps coming to my mind while traveling overseas, it is this: We in America and other "western" nations are the "outsiders" and "strangers" on planet earth. We are the "minority group."

We who enjoy such wealth and health and convenience represent the very *tip* of an iceberg. This "tip of the iceberg" is often the only portion we ever see. The rest of the iceberg is submerged...and often forgotten. Because of this it is very easy to delude ourselves. We can actually think that we—the "tip of the iceberg"—represent life on the iceberg as a whole.

The fact is, however, that the rest of the iceberg consists of more than three-quarters of the world's people in the poorer, underdeveloped countries. For the most part, the people are underfed, underclothed, "captives" both in body and spirit. And it is these very countries which are growing the fastest. India has some 726 million people and grows by 13 million people a year. Africa—the world's fastest growing continent with 500 million people—could DOUBLE in size in the next 25 years. Asia with its exploding population could represent 58% of the world's population in 15 years.

These millions are just part of the submerged portion of the iceberg. But they are just numbers. What does "underdeveloped" and "poor" mean in terms of human needs?

The Children Suffer

One measure is the condition of the world's children. The United Nations 1984 "State of the World's Children" says that poverty for children usually means a "hidden" kind of hunger...an invisible malnutrition that touches one-fourth of all the children in developing countries. This

Tip of the Iceberg

malnutrition is often not evident in the appearance of the child; yet, if severe in the early years of a child's life, it can stunt the brain's growth, diminishing the child's mental capacity for life.

Every day last year 40,000 children died from malnutrition and infection. And for every one who died, six now live in such hunger and ill health that it will be etched upon their lives until the day they die. Unheard of on our tip of the iceberg. But very real to a large segment of the "submerged" millions.

We Have No Choice

Some of the strongest and clearest directives given by Jesus had to do with the privilege and responsibility of tangibly expressing God's love by helping to meet people's physical needs. Perhaps the most heart-searching is found in Matthew 25:34-46, "I was an hungered...thirsty...a

stranger...naked...sick...in prison...Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me" (KJV).

As we look at our world in the light of this text, there is no need for interminable discussion about whether to give to evangelism or to meeting human need. We must not choose. Rather we must follow the teaching of Jesus and do *both*...those who see not just ourselves in our world...but others in *their* world.

Mr. Evans, member of the Van Nuys, California, Foursquare Church, is Vice President of the Russ Re Company in Pasadena, California. He is writer/producer of the Foursquare film, "And One Shall Become a Thousand."



Because You Cared

By Vronnie Coombs

After reading such a heart-wrenching article, you may wonder, "What can I do? How can I change the desperate situation of the millions who are so needy, both physically and spiritually?"

Let's begin by looking at what you, through your giving, did last year. Funds were sent for FLOOD relief in Ecuador, DROUGHT relief in Panama, FOOD for Africa, FIRE relief in Australia and the Philippines, and AID to our brothers in Guatemala. Funds were also given to organizations which specialize in feeding the hungry and aiding those who are hurting in areas where Foursquare has no work established.

Let me give you one prime example of how these funds were used. Last year, large sections of Argentina suffered devastation from flooding, with many left homeless. We partnered with the brothers in our Argentine Foursquare Church to send clothing to our people who had lost everything as a result. The floods also destroyed several of our Foursquare church buildings.

But a pastor was sent and a church erected for the congregations. The money you sent provided aid for three other pastors who had been suffering much due to illness. And a sizeable donation was given to a partnering evangelical relief organization producing new contacts for Foursquare!

Last year, Foursquare Missions International channeled \$32,090.98 to provide relief in the above mentioned areas. This doesn't seem like much in light of the world's condition and the potential wrapped up in 167,149 North American Foursquare members.... In fact, it's only about 50¢ each for the year!

We can make a great difference in this coming year. Foursquare Missions International is only a channel for those funds which are sent. Give to Foursquare Missions. Let's stretch our "tip of the iceberg" mentality and encompass the poor and starving with the love and hope of Jesus Christ.

Vronnie Coombs, graduate of LIFE Bible College in 1979, assists the Foursquare Missions International Coordinator of Communications, Rev. Phil Starr.



A Peanut in My Briefcase



Larry Six

Commentary by John Darnall

This story isn't a big story, as far as mission stories go. It's just a simple little one. This is the account of a brief encounter, all event by most standards, of a little boy in a little place who gave a little gift. However, the potential of this story by Larry Six, our missionary to Hong Kong, as it unfolds, is immeasurable. An example could possibly cause God's abundance to touch you in a powerful, mighty way. You're going to love it!

In my briefcase there's a simple little peanut. Why is there a peanut in my briefcase? I use this is a very special peanut. It's a reminder of a very important person and, more importantly, some very important lessons that special little boy taught me.

Recently was in the Portuguese colony of Macao, off the coast of mainland China, where Foursquare Church operates an orphanage. It is always a joy, and very rewarding, to see the kids whose lives are being touched with the love of Jesus.

I entered the room where children gather to study and participate in various activities. I found several of these precious Chinese orphans sitting at their desks with handfuls of peanuts. They were vigorously and happily cracking the shells and

devouring the contents.

Not noticing that I was being followed, I felt a little hand take hold of mine. Quickly and quietly something slipped from that small round hand into mine. I looked down and found a little chubby fellow looking up at me with a slight smile on his face and a twinkle in his eyes. In my hand was a peanut. I thanked him, and for quite a while we walked around the orphanage together, his hand in mine. Whenever I looked down, his little upturned face would break into a radiant smile.

Later that day, I slipped the peanut into my briefcase. That simple little gift from my little orphan friend is still in my briefcase today. Whenever I see it, I am reminded of that little smiling face and his tiny, chubby hand in mine.

But that peanut also speaks loudly and clearly of other things. It says, "Thanks for being interested in me. Thanks for taking time to care and to love me in a busy world." It also says so simply yet so powerfully, "I want to show you that I love you. I don't have much to give, but I'll share what I do have. This is a token of my love." That little peanut is a constant reminder that it doesn't take much to touch the heart of another person, and that touch can have a lasting effect.

I don't believe that peanut was given just to me. It was

given with love to Foursquare people like you who have given to missions. It was also especially given to all of the dear, devoted United Foursquare Women who over the years have given generously and prayed specifically for the Foursquare orphanage in Macao.

Let me ask you, "Do you have a peanut in your briefcase?"

Larry Six

That little boy didn't give a great deal of thought to the fact that his gift was little. He just wanted to give, and so he did. A small, fleeting moment in time. But God has used that little boy with a little gift to speak a big word. The little things we do really can count...forever.

It was a little way of saying "thank you" and expressing the deep appreciation he felt for the love and acceptance so freely given to him. You here at home may have given large or small amounts, but together it provided him a loving and warm home, clothing, hot meals and caring hands. He received that tender touch, those loving gifts, that encouraging word.

Perhaps the reason little things are so valuable is that they are laden with great potential; your continuous giving and earnest prayers validate such children's worth, especially these precious ones caught in despair and loneliness. With your gift, you're saying, "I'm with you, I love you, you can do it!" And they cause grievous tears to be brushed away and offer instead support and strength.

In a world of overwhelming need, where it seems our efforts are diluted by a con-



Meet my friend.

stant tide of hopelessness, these children do matter. The question isn't whether or not you should give; the question is what to give.

So, what will you give... when will you give...where will you give?

Remember, it's the little things in life that really count. So many have helped! How about you? Wouldn't you really like to have a peanut in your briefcase someday?

Rev. Six (pictured above), missionary to Hong Kong, was a former U.S. pastor and a missionary in Papua New Guinea and Nigeria.

Mr. Darnall (pictured here), church council member of the Van Nuys, California, Foursquare Church, is President of White Stone Studios in Panorama City, California.



Contenders of the Faith

Foursquare youth are experiencing a renewed vision of how they can touch people and see new life come. This resurgence in our youth is like that which birthed the Foursquare movement.

They are destined to be world changers for Christ!

And their work has just begun. During the summer of '84, many will be involved in a global outreach at the Olympic Games in Los Angeles. This will provide them with the first in a series of outreaches that could lead them around the world. Key Foursquare youth leaders have been planning for more than a year for this Olympic evangelism outreach named **RUN FOR HIS GLORY!**

Terry Samples, chairman of this program, anticipates seeing more than 500

Foursquare young people from across North America converge on the summer Olympic Games. Our youth will be among 13,000 young people representing some 70 denominations and as many other religious organizations at the Games sharing their witness for Jesus Christ.

At one planning meeting, an observer said, "Jesus commissioned us to take the gospel to the world...but through the Olympics it appears that He is bringing the world to the gospel!"

Beyond the Olympics, our youth are committing themselves to reach their own communities as well as targeted sections of North America. Then they will "partner" with Foursquare Missions to extend past our borders and reach the world for Him.

If you are a Foursquare young person interested in becoming part of a vision and seeing it fulfilled, here are some things you can do:

- Read in the Foursquare ADVANCE the events as they are planned to reach our world through youth evangelism.
- Pick up the Foursquare youth newsletter called "I'M A CONTENDER" at your local church and grow through applying its challenges to discipleship.
- Contact your youth leader or pastor. They can help you become part of the Foursquare youth movement.
- "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into the harvest." Remember, His best candidates for the work of the harvest are those who pray.

Rev. Peterson, former pastor of the Bend, Oregon, Foursquare Church, is National Director of the Youth, Christian Education and Publications Department.

By Tim Peterson

Youth Across the Nation

The student world of Christianity globally seems to be thirsting and questing for a meaningful life and purpose, with many seeing missionary service as one of the highest options capturing their heart and eye. Note these interesting findings:

★ Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship reports that they have 7,500 young people who have chosen missions as their priority for life. IVC set a goal of fielding at least 5,000 by 1985.

★ Last Days Ministries, largely geared to raise a missions vision, reports that 14,000 young people have responded and indicated their commitment to missions. Envisioned goal: 100,000!

★ Youth With A Mission (YWAM) has 10,000 young people annually going overseas. In addition, through other organizations and churches, youth in large numbers have responded to a missions call.

One prominent mission leader said recently that, from his perspective, the current number of youthful missionary candidates represent the largest reservoir of potential missionaries that the church has ever known. As a result, prayer strategies on many campuses this school year are sprouting:

★ At Michigan State, 80 mission prayer groups have sprung.

★ At the University of Illinois, 18 committed themselves to pray. Three and a half weeks later, 40 were praying.

★ At Western Washington State University, 600 of the 900 Christians on campus heard a challenge on prayer. 90 committed themselves to pray for Hidden Peoples.

★ At Taylor University, 500 students made a public commitment to pray for spiritual awakening and world evangelism.

Aggressive students are telling their peers about God's plan for all nations: One North American group formed teams to visit campuses to apprise Christian students of the Great Commission. Another international group reported spreading and establishing student prayer and evangelism groups in 75 countries. Another report indicates student groups growing massively in Nigeria.

★ This December, thousands of North American students will flock to the "Urbana '84" Missions Conference. The result: Many more will indicate missions as their highest option for life, ordering their lives to fulfill that purpose.



Lynnell Josephson (left) and Kathryn Litzenberg, LIFE Bible College, Los Angeles, students (Jeff Sorrell, photographer)

Those Behind "Advancing Through the '80s!"

Several authors featured in this special issue are members of the ADVANCING THROUGH THE '80s! planning committee, appointed by Dr. Leland Edwards, Director of Foursquare Missions International. This committee of knowledgeable, missions-minded leaders assists Dr.

Edwards with the 1990 visionary task of penetrating at least 100 Hidden People groups and expanding the Foursquare work worldwide. The strategic plan to accomplish this task by 1990 is entitled ADVANCING THROUGH THE '80s!

Those who contribute on the committee are as follows: John Amstutz, Eloise Clarno, Edgar Coombs, Barbara Edwards, Leland Edwards, Gary Evans, Dorothy Jean Furlong, Harold Helms, Don McGregor, Tim Peterson, Paul Risser, Dick Schmidt, Phil Starr, and Paul Watney.

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Are You Willing to Join Me Now and Give Your Life Away?

by Leland B. Edwards

As I travel thousands upon thousands of miles each year across continents and countries, I see the needs of millions of people—individuals just like you and me—who need hope, love, and Jesus Christ. They need people like us to help them, to touch them with God's Kingdom, His love and His life. I'm nearly overwhelmed: the impact of 2.4 billion people yet to be reached for Christ; the urgent and pressing need of missionary personnel ready and willing to go; the staggering amount of money immediately necessary to send and equip those missionaries to take the gospel and to help the lost, hungry and devastated. This enormous challenge causes me to call for help from each of you, and bluntly ask you, "Will you help? To what extent? Are you willing to give your life for the world God so loved?" Jesus taught if you save your life (live to yourself) you will lose it, but if you'll give your life (time, talents, substance and yourself) you'll save it.

Young person, do you wonder if there is something worth giving your life for?

Middle-aged person, are you wondering if you have accomplished anything of eternal value? Have you been a wise steward of your life, talents, time and capacity for love?

Adult senior person, much of your life has been spent. Do you wonder, "What have I accomplished in this life?"

Why don't you right now step aside in privacy, make that chair an altar, or stand as an act of availability. Open your hands and your heart to the Lord. If you've not done so before, invite Jesus Christ into your heart. And at the same time, *think about the needy millions* and respond by checking the appropriate boxes. Do it now!

I will daily take time to pray earnestly: for a nation , its rulers , its spiritual and physical needs city by city , for missionaries there , or the sending of them , the unreached Hidden People groups there .

Nation's name: _____ Hidden People's name: _____

"Praying always...with all perseverance and supplication" (Eph. 6:18, KJV)

I will, each week/month, designate a responsible gift beyond my loose change for Foursquare World Missions: \$10 , \$20 , \$30 , \$50 , \$100 , \$1000 . And I will do it as a faith promise act of love, trusting God to supply it. Together we can send a missionary, reach the lost, help the homeless, feed the hungry.

"Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly...God loveth a cheerful giver" (II Cor. 9:7, KJV).

I will, daily, take my loose change and drop it in a jar or container, dedicating it to the releasing of ministry to unreached Hidden Peoples (Bring it to your church and designate it for Foursquare outreach to Hidden Peoples.)

"Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give..." (Luke 6:38, KJV).

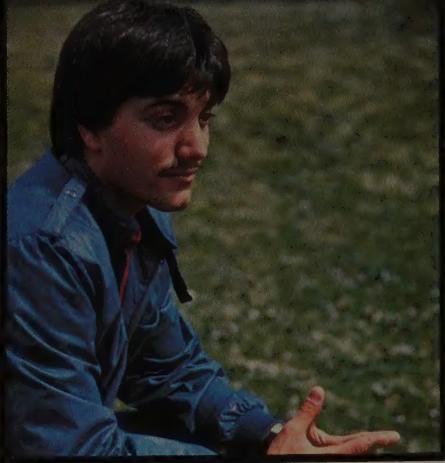
Will you ask God, "Lord, where do you want me to live and serve you?": In North America? Should I plan to serve you overseas? "Tentmaking"? Serving as a missionary, full-term, short-term? Serve on a TASTE Team?

"Here am I, send me" (Isaiah 6:8, KJV).

Why not call your pastor, church elder or Sunday School teacher telling exactly what God has been speaking to you. Ask for counsel and direction. Then begin moving in obedience to what the Lord has said to you.

We here at Foursquare Missions International can be of help. Please, don't hesitate to phone us (213) 484-1100 or write me, Dr. Leland B. Edwards, at 1100 Glendale Blvd., Los Angeles, California 90026.





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